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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

> Connect America Fund, WC Docket No. 14-58, 47 CFR § 54.313 Annual Reporting Re:

Requirements for High-Cost Recipients (Form 481)

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Attached please find Gorham Telephone Company's high-cost support recipient annual report pursuant to 47 CFR § 54.313 (Form 481).

Gorham Telephone Company is filing certain financial information, reported pursuant to 47 CFR §54.313(f)(2), as confidential under the March 22, 2016 Protective Order (DA 16-296). Pursuant to that Order, each page of this filing has been marked "REDACTED - FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION." The nonredacted version of this information has been marked "CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION - SUBJECT TO PROTECTIVE ORDER BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION." As such, Gorham Telephone Company requests that the non-redacted version of its submission be withheld from public inspection.

Gorham Telephone Company is also requesting confidential treatment of certain information being filed pursuant to 47 CFR § 54.202(a)(1)(ii)and 54.313(a)(1) (five year service quality improvement plan) under 47 CFR § 0.457 and 0.459. The redacted version of this filing has been marked "REDACTED - FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION." The non-redacted version has been marked "CONFIDENTIAL - NOT FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION."

Pursuant to 47 CFR § 0.459, Gorham Telephone Company offers the following in support of its request for confidential treatment of certain information.

- Identification of the specific information for which confidential treatment is sought: Gorham Telephone Company seeks confidential treatment of the five year service quality improvement plan required per 47 CFR § 54.202(a)(1)(ii) and 54.313(a)(1),
- Identification of the Commission proceeding in which the information was submitted or a description of the circumstances giving rise to the submission: Gorham Telephone Company is providing the five year service quality improvement plan as part of its annual high-cost support recipient report per 47 CFR § 54.313.
- Explanation of the degree to which the information is commercial or financial, or contains a trade secret or is privileged: Gorham Telephone Company considers the information to be highly sensitive in that it contains statements about the Company's future investment plans, and discusses specific equipment and strategies the Company will utilize to provide services.



- Explanation of the degree to which the information concerns a service that is subject to competition:
   Gorham Telephone Company provides voice and broadband services that are in competition with
   various landline and wireless providers; thus, the investment data disclosed is related to services
   subject to competition to a high degree.
- Identification of any measures taken by the submitting party to prevent unauthorized disclosure: Gorham Telephone Company makes the data being provided available only to employees, consultants, and attorneys on a limited, need-to-know basis.
- Identification of whether the information is available to the public and the extent of any previous disclosure of the information to third parties: The information is not publicly available.
- Justification of the period during which the submitting party asserts that material should not be available for public disclosure: Gorham Telephone Company requests that the data provided be treated as confidential indefinitely. Due to the sensitive nature of the data, it would not be appropriate for public disclosure at any time in the foreseeable future.
- Any other information that the party seeking confidential treatment believes may be useful in assessing whether its request for confidential treatment should be granted: None.

Accordingly, Gorham Telephone Company requests confidential treatment of the five year service quality improvement plan pursuant to section 0.457 and 0.459 of the Commission's rules.

The redacted version of this Form 481 submission will be filed via the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) in the above-captioned docket.

If you have any questions about this filing, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

Tonya M. Murphy Secr/Treas.

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| 4112         | If your answer to Line <111> is yes, please file a progress report, on line <112> delineating the status of your company's existing § 54,202(a) "5 year plan" on file with the FCC, as it relates to your provision of voice telephony service.  Attach Five-Year Service Quality Improvement Plan or, in subsequent years, your annual progress report filed pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54,313(a)(1). If your company is a CETC which only receives frozen support, your progress report is only required to address voice telephony service. | 411778ks112.pdf   |
|              | Please select the appropriate responses below (Yes, No, Not Applicable) to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 112, contains a progress report on its five-year service quality improvement plan pursuant to §54.202(a). The information shall be submitted at the wire center level or census block as appropriate.   | Name of Attached Document   |
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| "Please check th<br>or the website li<br>§ 54.422(a)(2) a | "please check these boxes below to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 1210, or the website listed, on line 1220, contains the required information pursuant to § 54.422(a)(2) annual reporting for ETCs receiving low-income support, carriers must | (0)  |                          |
|   | report.   |  |                          |
| <1221>  |   |  |                          |
| <1222>  | Details on the number of minutes provided as part of the plan,  |  | •                        |
| <1223>  | . Additional charges for toll calls, and rates for each such plan.  |  |                          |

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Complete the items below to note compliance with five year service quality plan (pursuant to 47 CFR § 54.202(a)) and, for privately held carriers, ensuring compliance with the financial reporting requirements set forth in 47 CFR § 54.313(f)(2). I further certify that the information reported on this form and in the documents attached below is accurate.

| (3009)           | Progress Report on 5 Year Plan Carrier certifies to 54.313(f)(1)(iii)  |                                      |           |                |                       |
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| ,,               |  | Y                                    | es - At   | tach Certific  | ation                 |
| (3010A)          | Milestone Certification (47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(i))   |                                      |           |                | 411778ks3010.pdf      |
| (30108)          | Please Provide Attachment  | Name of Attached Docu                | ıment Li: | sting Required |                       |
| (3012 <b>A</b> ) | Community Anchor Institutions (47 CFR § 54.313(f)(½)(ii))  | No - No New Community                | Anchor    | 8              | <i>;</i>              |
| (3012B)          | Please Provide Attachment  | Name of Attached Docu<br>Information | ment Li   | sting Required |                       |
| (3013)           | Is your company a Privately Held ROR Carrier (47 CFR § 54.313(f)(2))   | (Yes/No)                             | <b>⊙</b>  | 0              |                       |
| (3014)           | If yes, does your company file the RUS annual report   | (Yes/No)                             | •         | O              |                       |
|                  | Please check these boxes to confirm that the attached PDF, on line 3017, contains the required information pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2) compliance requires:   |                                      | _         |                |                       |
| (3015)           | Electronic copy of their annual RUS reports<br>(Operating Report for Telecommunications<br>Borrowers)  |                                      | L         | <u> </u>       |                       |
| (3016)           | Document(s) with Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows   |                                      | L         | <b>✓</b>       | 2016-411778ke3017.pdf |
| (3017)           | If the response is yes on line 3014, attach your company's RUS annual report and all required documentation  | Name of Attached Docu<br>Information | ıment Li  | sting Required |                       |
| (3018)           | If the response is no on line 3014, is your company audited? If the response is yes on line 3018, please check the   | (Yes/No)                             | 0         | 0              |                       |
| (3019)           | boxes below to confirm your submission on line<br>3026 pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2), contains:<br>Either a copy of their audited financial statement; or   |                                      |           |                |                       |
| ()               | (2) a financial report in a format comparable to RUS Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers   |                                      |           |                |                       |
| (3020)           | Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows  |                                      |           |                |                       |
| (3021)           | Management letter and/or audit opinion issued by<br>the independent certified public accountant that<br>performed the company's financial audit.   |                                      |           |                |                       |
|                  | If the res <b>po</b> nse is no on line 3018, please check the boxes below to confirm your submission on line   |                                      |           |                |                       |
| (3022)           | 3026 pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2), contains:<br>Copy of their financial statement which has been<br>subject to review by an independent certified public<br>accountant; or 2) a financial report in a format<br>comparable to RUS Operating Report for |                                      |           |                |                       |
| (3023)           | Telecommunications Borrowers Underlying information subjected to a review by an independent certified public accountant  |                                      |           |                |                       |
| (3024)           | Underlying information subjected to an officer certification.  |                                      |           |                |                       |
| (3025)           | Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows  |                                      |           |                |                       |
| (3026)           | Attach the worksheet listing required information  | Name of Attached Docu<br>Information | ıment Li  | sting Required |                       |

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| Financial Data Summary | (3027) Revenue |
|------------------------|----------------|

(3028) Operating Expenses

(3029) Net Income

(3030) Telephone Plant In Service(TPIS)

(3031) Total Assets

(3032) Total Debt

(3033) Total Equity

(3034) Dividends

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#### 4005 Rural Broadband Experiment

Authorized Rural Broadband Experiment (RBE) recipients must address the certification for public interest obligations, provide a list of newly served community anchor institutions, and provide a list of locations where broadband has been deployed.

#### Public Interest Obligations – FCC 14-98 (paragraphs 26-29, 78)

Please address Line 4001 regarding compliance with the Commission's public interest obligations. All RBE participants must provide a response to Line 4001.

4001. Recipient certifies that it is offering broadband to the identified locations meeting the requisite public interest obligations consistent with the category for which they were selected, including broadband speed, latency, usage capacity, and rates that are reasonably comparable to rates for comparable offerings in urban areas?

#### Community Anchor Institutions - FCC 14-98 (paragraph 79)

4003a. RBE participants must provide the number, names, and addresses of community anchor institutions to which they newly deployed broadband service in the preceding calendar year. On this line, please respond (yes – attach new community anchors, no – no new anchors) to indicate whether this list will be provided.

#### If yes to 4003A, please provide a response for 4003B.

| 4003b. Provide the number, names and addresses of community anchor institutions to which the recipient newly began providing access to | Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information |   |  |  |  |  |
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| broadband service in the preceding calendar year.  |  | • |  |  |  |  |
| Broadband Deployment Locations – FCC 14-98 (paragraph 80)  |  |   |  |  |  |  |

4004a. Attach a list of geocoded locations to which broadband has been deployed as of the June 1st immediately preceding the July 1st filing deadline for the FCC Form 481.

Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information

4004b. Attach evidence demonstrating that the recipient is meeting the relevant public service obligations for the identified locations. Materials must at least detail the pricing, offered broadband Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information speed and data usage allowances available in the relevant geographic area.

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|   | e Accuracy of the Data Reported for the Annual Reporting for CAF or LI Recipients  |
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| Name of Reporting Carrier:  |  |
| Signature of Authorized Officer:  | Date   |
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| Title or position of Authorized Officer:  |  |
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| Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier:   | Filing Due Date for this form:   |
| Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier:  Persons willfully making false statements on this form can be  | Filing Due Date for this form:  e punished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonme under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001. |

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| l certify that (Name of Agent) <u>Alexicon, Inc.</u><br>also certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibiliting<br>agent; and, to the best of my knowledge, the reports and data provided | is authorized to submit the information reported on behalf of the reporting carrier.<br>les include ensuring the accuracy of the annual data reporting requirements provided to the authorized<br>to the authorized agent is accurate. |
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| Name of Authorized Agent: Alexicon, Inc.  |  |
| Name of Reporting Carrier: GORHAM TEL CO  |  |
| Signature of Authorized Officer: CERTIFIED ONLINE   | Date: 06/29/2016   |
| Printed name of Authorized Officer: Tonya Murphy  |  |
| Title or position of Authorized Officer: Secr/Treas.  |  |
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# TO BE COMPLETED BY THE AUTHORIZED AGENT:

| Certification of Agent Au                                       | horized to File Annual Reports f          | or CAF or LI R     | ecipients on Behalf      | of Reportin      | g Carner .                      |
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| e data reported herein based on data provided by the rep        | orting carrier; and, to the best of my kr | nowledge, the in   | formation reported her   | rein is accurate | <u>.</u>                        |
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| ame of Authorized Agent Firm: Alex:                             | con, Inc.                                 |                    |                          |                  |                                 |
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Attachments

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|       |                 |            |           | Residential Local | le                           |                             | Mandatory Extended Area |                               |
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| State | Exchange (ILEC) | SAC (CETC) | Rate Type | Service Rate      | State Subscriber Line Charge | State Universal Service Fee | Service Charge          | Total per line Rates and Fees |
| KS    | ဗ               |            | FR        | 17.0              | 0.0                          | 1.66                        | 0.0                     | 18.66                         |
| KS    | Waldo           |            | FR        | 17.0              | 0.0                          | 1.66                        | 0.0                     | 18.66                         |
| KS    | Luray           |            | FR        | 17.8              | 0.0                          | 1.66                        | 0.0                     | 19.46                         |
| KS    | Paradise        |            | FR        | 17.8              | 0.0                          | 1.66                        | 0.0                     | 19.46                         |
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| A. C. | Usage Allowance                       | (BB)            |                             | 666666      | 666666      | 666666      | 666666      | 666666      | 666666      | 666666      | 666666      |  | • |  |   |  |  |  |
|   | Sroadband Service                     | os)             |                             | 0.384       | 0.512       | 0.768       | 1.0         | 3.0         | 5.0         | 5.0         | 10.0        |  |   |  |   |  |  |  |
|   | Broadband Service - Broadband Service | Download Speed  | (Mbps)                      | 0.768       | 1.0         | 3.0         | 6.0         | 15.0        | 20.0        | 25.0        | 50.0        |  |   |  |   |  |  |  |
| **************************************    | Total Rates                           | and Fees        |                             | 39.95       | 39.95       | 79.95       | 89.95       | 99.95       | 129.95      | 149.0       | 199.95      |  |   |  |   |  |  |  |
|   | Postulator                            | Fees            |                             | 0.0         | 0.0         | 0.0         | 0.0         | 0.0         | 0.0         | 0.0         | 0.0         |  |   |  |   |  |  |  |
| e COD                                     | - Control                             | Rate            |                             | 39.95       | 39.95       | 79.95       | 89.95       | 99.95       | 129.95      | 149.0       | 199.95      |  |   |  |   |  |  |  |
| <b>4</b>                                  |                                       | Exchange (ILEC) |                             | Gorham      |  | - |  |   |  |  |  |
|   |                                       | State           |                             | KS          |  |   |  |   |  |  |  |

Gorham Telephone Company
Five Year Service Quality Improvement Plan Progress Report
For the 2016 Reporting Year
Per 47 CFR § 54.313(a)(1)

### I. DISCUSSION

Gorham Telephone Company (Company), an ETC designated by Kansas Corporation Commission /FCC, hereby submits this five year service quality improvement plan progress report (*Progress Report*) as required by 47 CFR § 54.313(a)(1). The Company is an incumbent carrier with service area(s) in the state(s) of Kansas, with 409 access lines in four exchanges as of 12/31/2015. The Company is a rate-of-return (RoR) regulated carrier.

The *Progress Report* reflected herein represents the Company's ongoing efforts to expand high quality, reasonably-priced broadband services throughout its service area. The Company generated and filed in 2014 a five-year plan in compliance with the Commission's rules, although the out years in the plan (years 3-5) are speculative in nature and thus will likely change, sometimes substantially, in future progress updates filed with the Commission. Reasons for the speculative nature of years 3-5 of the Plan include (1) the unknown nature of universal service support in those years, in light of the Commission's USF/ICC Transformation Order, (2) the difficulty in forecasting customer counts, demand, and other factors directly affecting network demand, and (3) the rapid pace of technological innovations in the communications industry which makes it difficult to plan more than one or two years in advance with any degree of accuracy.

The *Progress Report* presented herein by necessity includes expenditures not specifically identified as "improvements or upgrades" of the Company's network, such as amounts for the maintenance and upkeep of existing telecommunications plant and associated operating expenses. In order for the Commission to accurately consider the capital and operating expenditures as related to and supported by the federal universal service programs, these types of costs are critical for such an understanding.

# II. Five Year Plan Update

The Company has no updates to the five year service quality improvement plan it filed in 2014.

# III. Progress Report

#### A. Maps

Section 54.313(a)(1) requires that all recipients of high cost support are to provide maps depicting the progress made during the current reporting period. The Company is providing a map showing progress in regards to its five year service quality plan through June 30, 2016, and is provided at the wire center or census block level, as applicable.

### B. Universal Service Support Received

Section 54.313(a)(1) requires that all recipients of high-cost support provide an explanation of how much universal service support was received during the reporting period. For this year's Progress Report, the amount of universal service support received will be for the 6 months ended June 30, 2016. The Company received the following universal service support amounts during the period January 1, 2016 through June 30, 2016:

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Of the total amount of support received shown above, the Company estimates that approximately 40% was used for capital expenditures and 60% was used for operating expenditures.

# C. How Universal Service Support Was Used

Section 54.313(a)(1) also requires all recipients of high-cost support to provide an explanation of how the universal service support received was used to improve service quality, coverage, or capacity. The universal service support received by the Company is either based on (1) actual overall revenue requirements, as determined by associated FCC rules, or (2) the replacement of certain interstate and intrastate access revenues. This support is added to the Company's general funds and the expenditure of such support is not separately tracked, nor is it practical to do so.

Overall, any support expended pursuant to the investment and operating expense budgets presented in the Company's five year service quality improvement plan will be used to increase coverage and capacity, via additional investment in voice and broadband-capable infrastructure, and improve service quality, via expenditures for continued operations and maintenance. By the very nature of the FCC rules that give rise to the universal service support received, the Company clearly expends such funding to support its fiber-to-the-home network and thus serves to provide and improve broadband and voice coverage, capacity and service quality. Therefore, due to the reimbursement nature of the HCLS and ICLS mechanisms, all support received was already expended to increase coverage, capacity and service quality improvement through qualifying capital investments and the qualifying operating expenses that support them.

### D. Network Improvement Targets

Section 54.313(a)(1) requires all recipients of high cost support to provide an explanation of any network improvement targets that have not been fulfilled in the prior calendar year. The Company met all of its network improvement targets during 2015

### IV. Considerations

The investment and service quality improvement plan and progress report discussed above were generated, in part, to meet or exceed the broadband public interest obligations adopted by the Commission:

- > Speed at least 10 mbps upstream and 1 mbps downstream in regards to requests for service beginning in 2015. This reflects the Commission's recent decision to increase the standard broadband speed from 4 mbps /1 mbps.
- Latency 100mS or less, sufficient for real-time applications

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- Capacity The Company currently provides unlimited usage to its broadband service customers.
- As an RoR-regulated carrier, the Company is required pursuant to 47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(i) to provide broadband service at 10 meg/1 meg upon reasonable request and within a reasonable timeframe. As a result, the Plan and Progress Report reflected herein takes into account this requirement by meeting all such requests for broadband service within the overall service guidelines adopted by Kansas Corporation Commission.
- The Company will provide high speed internet and telephone service to all areas within its franchised area.

Statement Regarding Compliance with Service Quality Standards and Consumer Protection Rules 47 CFR § 54.313(a)(5)

Form 481, Line 510

Gorham Telephone Company (GTC) is an incumbent local exchange carrier operating in the state of Kansas, and is an eligible telecommunications carrier (ETC) designated by the Kansas Corporation Commission (KCC). As such, GTC is subject to the regulatory authority of the KCC and operates under the relevant rules and laws of the state of Kansas.

GTC is subject to the service quality standards and consumer protection standards adopted by the KCC and that are applicable to ILECs in the state of Kansas. These standards are contained in Orders adopted by the KCC in Docket No. 95-GIMT-047-GIT (specifically the KCC Order dated May 23, 2008) and Docket No. 06-GIMT-187-GIT. The consumer protection standards are also contained in GTC's local tariff that is on file with the KCC.

Apart from effective internal procedures and operations, GTC ensures compliance with all applicable service quality and consumer protection rules through KCC enforcement, which entails the operation of an effective customer complaint process. KCC is required to respond to customer complaints and other service quality-related inquiries from the KCC in a reasonable time frame. GTC consistently meets or exceeds all KCC-adopted standards, and reports to this effect via all required KCC processes.

Finally, GTC has established internal procedures to ensure compliance with the Federal Communications Commission's Customer Proprietary Network Information (CPNI) rules that include, but are not limited to, periodic employee training and maintenance of written company CPNI procedures. GTC certifies its compliance with the Commission's CPNI rules by making annual filings as required in 47 CFR § 64.2009(e).

Statement Regarding the Ability to Function in Emergency Situations 47 CFR § 54.313(a)(6) Form 481, Line 610

Gorham Telephone Company (GTC) is an incumbent local exchange carrier operating in the state of Kansas, and is an eligible telecommunications carrier (ETC) designated by the Kansas Corporation Commission (KCC). As such, GTC is subject to the regulatory authority of the KCC and operates under the relevant rules and laws of the state of Kansas.

GTC is subject to KCC rules regarding the ability to remain functional in emergency situations by (1) maintaining at least eight hours of backup power to ensure functionality without local alternating current (AC) commercial power, (2) establishing the ability to reroute traffic around damaged facilities and to manage traffic spikes resulting from emergency situations, and (3) establishing procedures for employees to follow in an emergency to prevent or minimize interruption or impairment of telecommunications services.

GTC has stationary generators at each exchange central office (4 total) and also 8 portable generators to be deployed if necessary for GTC's services. GTC's network is capable of rerouting traffic around damaged facilities, although this ability is not absolute and may be limited in certain circumstances. However, GTC follows all industry standard practices in ensuring its network remains functional during different types of emergency situations.

Statement Regarding Voice Rate Comparability 47 C.F.R. § 54.313(a)(10) Form 481, Line 1010

Gorham Telephone Company is a rural, rate of return regulated incumbent local exchange carrier operating in the state of Kansas, and is an eligible telecommunications carrier (ETC) designated by the Kansas Corporation Commission (KCC). As such, Gorham Telephone Company is subject to the regulatory authority of the KCC and operates under the relevant rules and laws of the state of Kansas.

Gorham Telephone Company hereby certifies that the pricing of its voice services is no more than two standard deviations above the national average urban rate for voice service, \$41.07, as specified in the April 5, 2016 Public Notice issued by the Wireline Competition Bureau of the Federal Communications Commission.

Gorham Telephone Company's residential voice service rates, including state fees and the federal subscriber line charge (SLC) are as follows.

Monthly rate for Gorham exchange is \$25.16. Monthly rate for Waldo exchange is \$25.16. Monthly rate for Luray exchange is \$25.96. Monthly rate for Paradise exchange is \$25.96. Average monthly rate is \$25.56.

Statement Regarding Broadband Rate Comparability 47 CFR § 54.313(a)(12) 2016 FCC Form 481, Line 1030

Gorham Telephone Company (Gorham) states the following as to the requirements contained in 47 CFR § 54.313(a)(12) regarding the reasonable comparability of residential broadband rates. This rule requires that eligible telecommunications carriers (ETCs) provide "a certification that the pricing of a service that meets the Commission's broadband public interest obligations is no more than the applicable benchmark to be announced annually in a public notice issued by the Wireline Competition Bureau, or is no more than the non-promotional price charged for a comparable fixed wireline service in urban areas in the states or U.S. Territories where the eligible telecommunications carrier receives support."

Gorham notes that this rule, adopted in the FCC's December 18, 2014 Report and Order in WC Docket Nos. 10-90, 14-58, and 14-192 (FCC 14-190) is effective for the first time with the 2016 Form 481 ETC Annual Report. Furthermore, the Wireline Competition Bureau issued a Public Notice (DA 16-362, rel. April 5, 2016) that contains, *inter alia*, the process for determining the applicable reasonably comparable benchmark rates. ETCs are to certify on line 1020 of the 2016 Form 481 that one broadband service offering that satisfies all of the Commission's requirements, including that the service be offered throughout the high-cost support recipient's supported area or made available upon request be priced at or below the relevant benchmark.

While Gorham offers, or will offer upon reasonable request, fixed wireline retail residential broadband internet access service meeting the Commission's requirements (10/1 mbps, 150 gb of monthly capacity), it does not and cannot do so at rates at or below the relevant benchmarks. Gorham's retail rate for residential 15/3 unlimited broadband internet access service (Gorham does not offer 10/1 mbps service) is \$99.99 per month, while the benchmark rate according to the 2016 Public Notice and the online reasonable comparability benchmark calculator is \$78.66. In addition, Gorham has considered the "non-promotional price charged for a comparable fixed wireline service in urban areas in the states or U.S. Territories" in Kansas. Gorham's rate is higher due to many factors, including the high cost, remote areas that it serves, the relatively high middle mile costs necessary to connect Gorham's customers to the Internet, and the sparse population in its rural Kansas serving area.

Gorham also notes that, as an ILEC ETC, it does not provide retail Internet access services of any kind directly to end user customers; rather, Gorham provides wholesale service to its Internet Service Provider (ISP) affiliate, which then adds services to the broadband "pipe" Gorham provides in order to provide broadband Internet access service to individual residential customers. Thus, Gorham, as the ILEC, does not control the costs incurred by the ISP or the prices charged to the end user.

Progress Report on 5 Year Plan – Milestone Certification 47 C.F.R. § 54.313(f)(1)(i) Form 481, Line 3010

Gorham Telephone Company hereby certifies pursuant to 47 CFR 54.313(f)(1)(i) that it is taking all reasonable steps to provide, upon reasonable request, broadband service at actual speeds of at least 10 mbps downstream and 1 mbps upstream, with latency suitable for real-time applications, including Voice over Internet Protocol, and usage capacity that is reasonably comparable to comparable offerings in urban areas, and that requests for such service are met within a reasonable time frame.

According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is 0572-0031. The time required to complete this information collection is estimated to average 4 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information.

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| USDA-RUS   | This data will be used by RUS to review your financial situation. Your response is required by 7 U.S.C. 901 et seq. |   |  |  |  |  |  |
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| (Prepared with Audited Data)   |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| INSTRUCTIONS-Submit report to RUS within 30 days after close of the period.  | PERIOD ENDING   | BORROWER DESIGNATION  |  |  |  |  |  |
| For detailed instructions, see RUS Bulletin 1744-2. Report in whole dollars only.  | December, 2015  | KS0562  |  |  |  |  |  |
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We hereby certify that the entries in this report are in accordance with the accounts and other records of the system and reflect the status of the system

to the best of our knowledge and belief.

ALL INSURANCE REQUIRED BY 7 CFR PART 1788, CHAPTER XVII, RUS, WAS IN FORCE DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD AND RENEWALS HAVE BEEN OBTAINED FOR ALL POLICIES.

# DURING THE PERIOD COVERED BY THIS REPORT PURSUANT TO PART 1788 OF 7CFR CHAPTER XVII (Check one of the following)

| X | All of the obligations under the RUS loan documents |
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|   | have been fulfilled in all material respects.       |

There has been a default in the fulfillment of the obligations under the RUS loan documents. Said default(s) is/are specifically described in the Telecom Operating Report

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|  |             | DATE  |   |            |               |
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|  |             | PART A  | A. BALANCE SHEET  |            |               |
|  | BALANCE     | BALANCE   |   | BALANCE    | BALANCE       |
| ASSETS                                   | PRIOR YEAR  | END OF PERIOD   | LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY                          | PRIOR YEAR | END OF PERIOD |
| CURRENT ASSETS                           | DEM.        |   | CURRENT LIABILITIES   |            |               |
| Cash and Equivalents                     | 295,569     | 338,212   | 25. Accounts Payable  | 95,487     | 41,171        |
| Cash-RUS Construction Fund               | 9           | 9   | 26. Notes Payable   |            |               |
| 3. Affiliates:                           | 28.36       |   | 27. Advance Billings and Payments                             | 24,279     | 24,610        |
| a. Telecom, Accounts Receivable          | *           |   | 28. Customer Deposits   | 1,750      | 2,100         |
| b. Other Accounts Receivable             | 3,148       | 3,067   | 29. Current Mat. L/T Debt                                     | 653,504    | 721,501       |
| c. Notes Receivable                      |             |   | 30. Current Mat. L/T Debt-Rur. Dev.                           |            |               |
| 4. Non-Affiliates:                       | Section and |   | 31. Current MatCapital Leases                                 |            |               |
| a. Telecom, Accounts Receivable          | 54,379      | 54,631  | 32. Income Taxes Accrued                                      |            |               |
| b. Other Accounts Receivable             | 142,756     | 148,295   | 33. Other Taxes Accrued                                       | 14,607     | 16,014        |
| c. Notes Receivable                      |             |   | 34. Other Current Liabilities                                 | 49,445     | 2,744         |
| 5. Interest and Dividends Receivable     |             |   | 35. Total Current Liabilities (25 thru 34)                    | 839,072    | 808,140       |
| Material-Regulated                       | 93,413      | 91,238  | LONG-TERM DEBT  |            |               |
| 7. Material-Nonregulated                 |             |   | 36. Funded Debt-RUS Notes                                     | 2,854,052  | 2,111,214     |
| 8. Prepayments                           | 15,929      | 13,522  | 37. Funded Debt-RTB Notes                                     |            |               |
| 9. Other Current Assets                  |             |   | 38. Funded Debt-FFB Notes                                     |            |               |
| 10. Total Current Assets (1 Thru 9)      | 605,203     | 648,974   | 39. Funded Debt-Other   |            |               |
| NONCURRENT ASSETS                        |             |   | 40. Funded Debt-Rural Develop. Loan                           |            |               |
| 11. Investment in Affiliated Companies   |             | 367   | 41. Premium (Discount) on L/T Debt                            |            |               |
| a. Rural Development                     |             |   | 42. Reacquired Debt   |            |               |
| b. Nonrural Development                  |             |   | 43. Obligations Under Capital Lease                           |            |               |
| 12. Other Investments                    |             |   | 44. Adv. From Affiliated Companies                            |            |               |
| a. Rural Development                     |             |   | 45. Other Long-Term Debt                                      |            |               |
| b. Nonrural Development                  | 1,712       | 1,712   | 46. Total Long-Term Debt (36 thru 45)                         | 2,854,052  | 2,111,214     |
| 13. Nonregulated Investments             |             |   | OTHER LIAB. & DEF. CREDITS                                    |            |               |
| 14. Other Noncurrent Assets              |             |   | 47. Other Long-Term Liabilities                               | 74,858     | 143,097       |
| 15. Deferred Charges                     |             |   | 48. Other Deferred Credits                                    |            |               |
| 16. Jurisdictional Differences           |             |   | 49. Other Jurisdictional Differences                          |            |               |
| 17. Total Noncurrent Assets (11 thru 16) | 1,712       | 1,712   | 50. Total Other Liabilities and Deferred Credits (47 thru 49) | 74,858     | 143,097       |
| PLANT, PROPERTY, AND EQUIPMENT           |             | State of the Committee | EQUITY  |            |               |
| 18. Telecom, Plant-in-Service            | 8,345,551   | 8,376,885   | 51. Cap. Stock Outstand. & Subscribed                         | 4,140      | 4,140         |
| 19. Property Held for Future Use         |             |   | 52. Additional Paid-in-Capital                                | 376,226    | 376,226       |
| 20. Plant Under Construction             |             |   | 53. Treasury Stock  | 1.0,220    | 3.0,220       |
| 21. Plant Adj., Nonop. Plant & Goodwill  | 687,550     | 687,550   | 54. Membership and Cap. Certificates                          |            |               |
| 22. Less Accumulated Depreciation        | 4,831,924   |   | 55. Other Capital   |            | - "           |
| 23. Net Plant (18 thru 21 less 22)       | 4,201,177   |   | 56. Patronage Capital Credits                                 |            |               |
| 24. TOTAL ASSETS (10+17+23)              |             | -   | 57. Retained Earnings or Margins                              | 659,744    | 1 012 121     |
|  |             |   | 58. Total Equity (51 thru 57)                                 |            | 1,013,131     |
|  |             |   | 59. TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY (35+46+50+58)                | 1,040,110  | 1,393,497     |
|  | 4 808 000   | 4,455,948   |   | 4,808.092  | 4,455,948     |

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# PART B. STATEMENTS OF INCOME AND RETAINED EARNINGS OR MARGINS

| ITEM   | PRIOR YEAR | THIS YEAR                             |  |
|--|------------|---------------------------------------|--|
| Local Network Services Revenues  | 624,505    | 594,545                               |  |
| 2. Network Access Services Revenues  | 1,395,589  | 1,631,695                             |  |
| 3. Long Distance Network Services Revenues                                   |            |                                       |  |
| 4. Carrier Billing and Collection Revenues                                   | 11,475     | 9,414                                 |  |
| 5. Miscellaneous Revenues  | 11,235     | 11,057                                |  |
| 6. Uncollectible Revenues  | 1,154      | (197)                                 |  |
| 7. Net Operating Revenues (1 thru 5 less 6)                                  | 2,041,650  | 2,246,908                             |  |
| Plant Specific Operations Expense  | 465,311    | 544,891                               |  |
| Plant Nonspecific Operations Expense (Excluding Depreciation & Amortization) | 18,553     | 23,055                                |  |
| 10. Depreciation Expense   | 518,072    | 469,538                               |  |
| 11. Amortization Expense   |            |                                       |  |
| 12. Customer Operations Expense  | 59,639     | 38,323                                |  |
| 13. Corporate Operations Expense   | 663,782    | 582,286                               |  |
| 14. Total Operating Expenses (8 thru 13)                                     | 1,725,357  | 1,658,093                             |  |
| 15. Operating Income or Margins (7 less 14)                                  | 316,293    | 588,815                               |  |
| 16. Other Operating Income and Expenses                                      |            |                                       |  |
| 17. State and Local Taxes  |            |                                       |  |
| 18. Federal Income Taxes   |            |                                       |  |
| 19. Other Taxes  | 56,215     | 56,062                                |  |
| 20. Total Operating Taxes (17+18+19)   | 56,215     | 56,062                                |  |
| (17 (10 00)  | 260,078    | 532,753                               |  |
|  | 196,525    | 164,025                               |  |
|  |            | ·                                     |  |
|  | 3          | 0                                     |  |
| 24. Other Interest Expense   |            |                                       |  |
| 25. Allowance for Funds Used During Construction                             | 196,528    | 164,025                               |  |
| 26. Total Fixed Charges (22+23+24-25)  | 2,261      | 3,065                                 |  |
| 27. Nonoperating Net Income  |            |                                       |  |
| 28. Extraordinary Items  |            |                                       |  |
| 29. Jurisdictional Differences   | 32,636     | 30,818                                |  |
| 30. Nonregulated Net Income  |            |                                       |  |
| 31. Total Net Income or Margins (21+27+28+29+30-26)                          | 98,447     | 402,611                               |  |
| 32. Total Taxes Based on Income  | 550.050    | 650 744                               |  |
| 33. Retained Earnings or Margins Beginning-of-Year                           | 678,250    | 659,744                               |  |
| 34. Miscellaneous Credits Year-to-Date                                       |            |                                       |  |
| 35. Dividends Declared (Common)  | 116,953    | 49,224                                |  |
| 36. Dividends Declared (Preferred)   |            |                                       |  |
| 37. Other Debits Year-to-Date  |            |                                       |  |
| 38. Transfers to Patronage Capital   | CEO 544    |                                       |  |
| 39. Retained Earnings or Margins End-of-Period [(31+33+34) - (35+36+37+38)]  | 659,744    | 1,013,131                             |  |
| 40. Patronage Capital Beginning-of-Year                                      |            |                                       |  |
| 41. Transfers to Patronage Capital   |            | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · |  |
| 42. Patronage Capital Credits Retired  |            |                                       |  |
| 43. Patronage Capital End-of-Year (40+41-42)                                 | 0          | 022.606                               |  |
| 44. Annual Debt Service Payments   | 832,698    | 832,698                               |  |
| 45. Cash Ratio [(14+20-10-11) / 7]   | 0.6189     | 0.5539                                |  |
| 46. Operating Accrual Ratio [(14+20+26) / 7]                                 | 0.9689     | 0.8359                                |  |
| 47. TIER [(31+26) / 26]  | 1.5009     | 3.4546                                |  |
| 48. DSCR [(31+26+10+11) / 44]  | 0.9764     | 1.2444                                |  |

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|   | Part C. SI | JBSCRIBER (AC | CESS LINE), ROUTE I | MILE, & HIGH SPEE   | D DATA INFORM  | IATION                            |              |
|---|------------|---------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------------|-----------------------------------|--------------|
|   | 1. RATES   |               |                     | RIBERS (ACCESS LINE | 3. ROUTE MILES |                                   |              |
| EXCHANGE                                  | B-1<br>(a) | R-1<br>(b)    | BUSINESS<br>(a)     | RESIDENTIAL<br>(b)  | TOTAL<br>(c)   | TOTAL<br>(including fiber)<br>(a) | FIBER<br>(b) |
| Gorham                                    | 20.00      | 17.00         | 42                  | 122                 | 164            | 82.28                             | 82.28        |
| Waldo                                     | 20.00      | 17.00         | 10                  | 46                  | 56             | 62.46                             | 62.46        |
| Luray                                     | 28.75      | 17.80         | 31                  | 89                  | 120            | 67.18                             | 67.18        |
| Paradise                                  | 28.75      | 17.80         | 11                  | 58                  | 69             | 69.46                             | 69.46        |
| MobileWireless                            |            |               |                     |                     | 0              |                                   |              |
| Route Mileage<br>Outside Exchange<br>Area |            |               |                     |                     |                | 0.00                              | 0.00         |
| Total                                     |            |               | 94                  | 315                 | 409            | 281.38                            | 281.38       |
| No. Exchanges                             | 4          |               |                     |                     |                |                                   | 201.00       |

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|          | Part C  | . SUBSCRIBER (                        | ACCESS LINE),                   | ROUTE MILE,                                  | & HIGH SPEED                               | DATA INFORMA     | ATION           |                              |
|----------|---|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|--|------------------|-----------------|------------------------------|
|          |   |                                       | 4. B                            | ROADBAND SER                                 | VICE                                       |                  |                 |                              |
|          |   |                                       |                                 | Detai  | ls on Least Expen                          | sive Broadband S | ervice          |                              |
| EXCHANGE | No. Access Lines<br>with BB<br>available<br>(a) | No Of Broadband<br>Subscribers<br>(b) | Number Of<br>Subscribers<br>(c) | Advertised<br>Download Rate<br>(Kbps)<br>(d) | Advertised<br>Upload<br>Rate (Kbps)<br>(e) | Price Per Month  | Standalone/Pckg | Type Of<br>Technology<br>(g) |
| Gorham   | 164   | 100                                   | 75                              | 1,500  | 512  |                  | Package         | Fiber to the Home            |
| Waldo    | 56  | 37                                    | 30                              | 1,500  | 512  | 37.93            | Package         | Fiber to the<br>Home         |
| Luray    | 120   | 79                                    | 67                              | 1,500  | 512  | 37.93            | Package         | Fiber to the<br>Home         |
| Paradise | 69  | 46                                    | 38                              | 1,500  | 512  | 37.93            | Package         | Fiber to the<br>Home         |
| Total    | 409   | 262                                   |                                 |  | ***  |                  |                 |                              |

|  |                                    | 0.4.00              |                        | ·               | <del></del>              |                                       |                               |  |
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|  |                                    |                     |                        |                 | December, 2              | December, 2015                        |                               |  |
| INSTRUCTIONS- See RUS Bul                        | lletin 1744-2                      |                     |                        |                 |                          |                                       |                               |  |
|  |                                    |                     | PART D. SYSTEI         | M DATA          |                          |                                       |                               |  |
| 1. No. Plant Employees                           | 2. No. Other Employees             | <del>- , ,</del>    | 3. Square Miles Served |                 | 4. Access Lines per Squa | re Mile                               | 5. Subscribers per Route Mile |  |
|  | 3                                  | 3                   |                        | 396             |                          | 1.03                                  | 1.45                          |  |
|  |                                    |                     | PART E. TOLL           | DATA            |                          |                                       |                               |  |
| Study Area ID Code(s)                            |                                    | 2. Types of Toll Se | ettlements (Check on   | e)              |                          | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · |                               |  |
|  | a. <u>41</u> 1778                  |                     |                        | Interstate:     | Average Schedul          | e                                     | X Cost Basis                  |  |
|  | b                                  |                     |                        |                 | _                        |                                       | _                             |  |
| !  | с.                                 |                     |                        | Intrastate:     | Average Schedul          | e                                     | X Cost Basis                  |  |
|  | d                                  |                     |                        |                 |                          |                                       |                               |  |
|  | e                                  |                     |                        |                 |                          |                                       |                               |  |
|  | f                                  |                     |                        |                 |                          |                                       |                               |  |
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|  |                                    | PART F. FU          | INDS INVESTED IN I     | PLANT DURING YE | AR                       |                                       |                               |  |
| 1. RUS, RTB, & FFB Loan Fund                     | ds Expended                        |                     |                        |                 |                          |                                       |                               |  |
| Other Long-Term Loan Funds Expended              |                                    |                     |                        |                 |                          |                                       |                               |  |
| Funds Expended Under RUS Interim Approval        |                                    |                     |                        |                 |                          |                                       |                               |  |
| Other Short-Term Loan Funds Expended             |                                    |                     |                        |                 |                          |                                       |                               |  |
| <ol><li>General Funds Expended (O</li></ol>      | ther than Interim)                 |                     |                        |                 |                          |                                       | 73,622                        |  |
| Salvaged Materials                               |                                    |                     |                        |                 |                          |                                       | 34,000                        |  |
| <ol><li>Contribution in Aid to Constru</li></ol> | uction                             |                     |                        |                 |                          | -                                     |                               |  |
| 8. Gross Additions to Telecom.                   | Plant (1 thru 7)                   |                     |                        |                 |                          |                                       | 107,622                       |  |
|  |                                    | PART G. IN          | VESTMENTS IN AFF       | ILIATED COMPANI | ES                       |                                       |                               |  |
|  | -                                  |                     | CURRENT                | EAR DATA        |                          | CUMULATIVE DA                         | \TA                           |  |
|  |                                    |                     |                        |                 | Cumulative               | Cumulative                            |                               |  |
| l  | INVESTMENTS                        |                     | Investment             | Income/Loss     | Investment               | Income/Loss                           | Current                       |  |
|  |                                    |                     | This Year              | This Year       | To Date                  | To Date                               | Balance                       |  |
|  | (a)                                |                     | (b)                    | (c)             | (d)                      | (e)                                   | Ø                             |  |
| Investment in Affiliated Comp                    | ·································· |                     |                        |                 |                          |                                       |                               |  |
| <ol><li>Investment in Affiliated Comp</li></ol>  | panies - Nonrural Developm         | nent                |                        |                 |                          |                                       |                               |  |

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# **USDA-RUS OPERATING REPORT FOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS BORROWERS** PART H. CURRENT DEPRECIATION RATES Are corporation's depreciation rates approved by the regulatory authority with jurisdiction over the provision of telephone services? (Check one) Х YES NO **EQUIPMENT CATEGORY DEPRECIATION RATE** Land and support assets - Motor Vehicles 26.27% Land and support assets - Aircraft Land and support assets - Special purpose vehicles Land and support assets - Garage and other work equipment 23.98% Land and support assets - Buildings 5.02% Land and support assets - Furniture and Office equipment 15.57% Land and support assets - General purpose computers 18.57% Central Office Switching - Digital 11.58% Central Office Switching - Analog & Electro-mechanical 10. Central Office Switching - Operator Systems 11. Central Office Transmission - Radio Systems 12. Central Office Transmission - Circuit equipment 16.00% Information origination/termination - Station apparatus 14. Information origination/termination - Customer premises wiring 15. Information origination/termination - Large private branch exchanges 16. Information origination/termination - Public telephone terminal equipment 17. Information origination/termination - Other terminal equipment 16.00% 18. Cable and wire facilities - Poles 15.81% 19. Cable and wire facilities - Aerial cable - Metal 20. Cable and wire facilities - Aerial cable - Fiber 21. Cable and wire facilities - Underground cable - Metal 5.38% 22. Cable and wire facilities - Underground cable - Fiber 5.38% 23. Cable and wire facilities - Buried cable - Metal 5.68% 24. Cable and wire facilities - Buried cable - Fiber 5.68% 25. Cable and wire facilities - Conduit systems 6.48% 26. Cable and wire facilities - Other

#### **BORROWER DESIGNATION** USDA-RUS KS0562 **OPERATING REPORT FOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS BORROWERS** PERIOD ENDED December, 2015 INSTRUCTIONS - See help in the online application. PART I - STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS 1. Beginning Cash (Cash and Equivalents plus RUS Construction Fund) 295,578 **CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES** 2. **Net Income** 402,611 Adjustments to Reconcile Net Income to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities 3. Add: Depreciation 469,538 4. Add: Amortization 5. Other (Explain) See Audited Financial Statements 66,064 Changes in Operating Assets and Liabilities 6. Decrease/(Increase) in Accounts Receivable (5,710) 7. Decrease/(Increase) in Materials and Inventory 2,175 8. Decrease/(Increase) in Prepayments and Deferred Charges 2,407 9. Decrease/(Increase) in Other Current Assets 10. Increase/(Decrease) in Adcounts Payable (54,316)11. increase/(Decrease) in Advance Billings & Payments 12. Increase/(Decrease) in Other Current Liabilities (45, 294)13. Net Cash Provided/(Used) by Operations 837,806 **CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES** 14. Decrease/(Increase) in Notes Receivable 0 15. Increase/(Decrease) in Notes Payable 0 16. Increase/(Decrease) in Customer Deposits 350 17. Net Increase/(Decrease) in Long Term Debt (Including Current Maturities) (674,841)18. Increase/(Decrease) in Other Liabilities & Deferred Credits 68,239 19. Increase/(Decrease) in Capital Stock, Paid-in Capital, Membership and Capital Certificates & Other Capital 20. Less: Payment of Dividends (49,224) 21. Less: Patronage Capital Credits Retired Other (Explain) See Audited Financial Statements 22. (68, 239)23. Net Cash Provided/(Used) by Financing Activities (723,715) **CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES** 24. Net Capital Expenditures (Property, Plant & Equipment) (31,334) 25 Other Long-Term Investments 0 26. Other Noncurrent Assets & Jurisdictional Differences 0 Other (Explain) See Audited Financial Statements (40,114)28. Net Cash Provided/(Used) by investing Activities (71.448)29. Net Increase/(Decrease) in Cash

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**Ending Cash** 

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